



AF/IR  
2653

PATENT  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 041465-5129

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Takayuki IIJIMA et al. )  
U.S. Application No.: 09/990,343 ) Group Art Unit: 2653  
Filed: November 23, 2001 ) Examiner: DINH, Tan X  
For: APPARATUS FOR EDITING )  
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION TO BE )  
RECORDED ON AN INFORMATION )  
STORAGE MEDIUM (As Amended) )

Commissioner of Patents  
**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form. As for any document listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 that is in a language other than English, relevance can be understood from an enclosed English abstract or at least partial translation or from mention in the specification or in a search report for a corresponding application.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that any of the listed documents do not constitute "prior art"

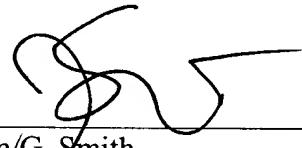
under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over any of the listed documents, should any of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

**Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this Application, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required and including any required extension of time fees, *or* credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

**DRINKER, BIDDLE & REATH LLP**



---

John G. Smith  
Registration No. 33,818

Dated: August 31, 2005

**CUSTOMER NO. 055694**  
**DRINKER, BIDDLE & REATH LLP**  
1500 K Street, N.W., Suite 1100  
Washington, D.C. 20005-1209  
Tel: (202) 842-8800  
Fax: (202)-204-0289

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION (Use several sheets if necessary)			Attorney Docket No.: 041465-5129		Serial No.: 09/990,343		
AUG 31 2005 - PTO Form 1449			Applicants IIJIMA et al.		Page 1 of 1		
			Filing Date: November 23, 2001		Group Art Unit: 2653		
<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
*Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Sub Class	Filing Date
		6,721,489	April 2004	Benjamin et al.	386	46	
		6,587,404	July 2003	Keller et al.	369	30.06	
		6,172,948	January 2001	Keller et al.	369	83	
		6,675,179	January 2004	Morohashi	707	204	
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	<u>Translation</u> YES      NO
<b>OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</b>							
Examiner				Date Considered			
Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							